znd August PREPARATIONS FOR THE RETURN OF THE FLEET

Sir Ferdmando Gorges, Mr William Killigrew, and Mr Richard Carmarden, the surveyor of the custom-house m London, are appointed commissioners to Plymouth to view the prizes as the ships return from Spain As formerly merchants of London or residents in the ports have bought from the soldiers and manners goods of great value but small bull, and earned them away secretly, inquisition is to be made, and merchants suspected of any such intentions to be ordered to depart on pain of imprisonment

qth August * THE METAMORPHOSIS OF AJAX [J]

Mr John Hanngton, that hath lain almost buried in the country these three or four years, thinking to give some occasion to be talked of hath written and caused to be printed a \erj foul book entitled *A New Discourse of a Stale Subject called the Metamorphosis of Ajax,* treating of a new way to make a jakes that shall be nd of stink , but intermixed with many other unsavoury matters The device is this You shall make a false bottom to that privy that you are annoyed with, either of lead or stone, the which bottom shall have a sluice of brass to let out all the filth, which if it be close plastered all about it and nnsed with water as oft as occasion serves, but especially at noon and at nifcht, will keep your pnvy as sweet as your parlour

MR HARINGTON'S MERRY JEST OF MR JAQUES WINGFIELD

Mr Jaques Wingfield coming one day either of business or kindness to visit a great Lady in the Court, the Lady bade her gentlewoman ask which of the Wingfields it was He told her [6] Jaques Wingfield ' The modest gentlewoman, that was not

so well seen in the French to know that * Jaqnes * was but [c] James * in English, was so bashful that to mend the matter, as she thought, she brought her lady word, not without blushing, that it was * Mr Pnvy Wingfield *

$th August CHURCHYARD'S POEM ON SIR F KNOLLYS

Mr Churchyard hath written *A sad and solemn funeral* of Sir Francis Knollys that died a few days since. Quoth he

The lords and knights that at thy table fed,
And all good guests that thither did repair,